









# THE HICKMAN COURIER.

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Short communications on public questions printed—but not responsible for sentiments or expressions of correspondence—except where we refuse to give name of author.

## Local Items.

April 9 is Easter.  
Mr. James Brown has moved his grocery house into the S. N. White block.  
Geo. W. Bain, Kentucky's gifted temperance orator, is lecturing in the city of Louisville.  
Miss Lovie Landrum, returned Wednesday, from a lengthy visit to Memphis.  
After the 1st of April, the mail route from Hickman to Dyersburg, will terminate at Union Station.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, the poet, died, Friday, March 26, at his home, Cambridge, Mass.  
J. Gran. Parker is a candidate for Circuit Court Clerk of Westley County, Tenn.

The residence of Mr. J. D. Arnett, Tiptonville, was destroyed by fire, on the 20th. No insurance.

A stroll over Hickman will astonish you as to the large number of improvements now in progress. Every carpenter in the village is busy.

Mr. B. H. Freeman, announces in the Fulton papers, that he has formed a limited partnership with Capt. C. L. Randle, of Hickman.

Mr. Newt J. Bushart, has taken charge of the Planter's House. The public can promise themselves a good square meal and gentlemanly treatment, if they will give him a call.

Mr. John Davis, left Wednesday, for Brinkley, Ark., where he takes a position as a clerk. He is a steady, business young man, and has a good future.

Mr. A. A. Selkirk, of the house of J. H. Plaut, leaves Sunday, for St. Louis, and other cities in the interest of the Square Deal House.

Young gentlemen, go and look at the handsome and stylish line of Hats, at H. BUCHANAN'S.

Mrs. Addie Jones and Miss Ella Harding returned from a business and pleasure trip to St. Louis, Thursday. The ladies are respectfully invited to call and see the new styles, &c.

The receding floods has left on many farms a rich soil sediment which will well repay the loss of fences. Other farms have been greatly damaged by sand.

The cars commenced running into Dyersburg on the 21st. The citizens turned out in procession, and with brass band, speeches, &c., welcomed the iron horse.

Those who failed to attend the Sunday school review at the Methodist church, Friday night missed a fine musical and intellectual entertainment, so our special reporter reports.

Our "bottom farmers" have commenced fencing in earnest, and a majority of them are hopeful of good crops. Those best served will be those who go to work quickest and hardest, which is the only way to offset the existing misfortune.

The Burlington, Iowa, Relief Committee telegraphed that they have raised between \$700 and \$1000 for the relief of flood sufferers, and ask the Hickman Committee if they need any part of it.

Some persons in Hickman have opened correspondence with Sec'y of War Lincoln, relative to obtaining seed corn for the overflow farmers of this section, and will probably know definitely in a few days.

The West Tennessee papers denounce as a fraud, one Dr. Fuller, of Lake County, Tenn., Fuller collected \$100 at Union City and amounts at other places for the flood sufferers, got drunk, and spent the money. He now languishes in jail.

At the solicitation of the orders occupying Odd Fellows Hall, the Hickman Minstrels, will repeat their performance some night, in the near future, for the benefit of said Order. The performance will be given in Odd Fellows Hall, and due notice given of the time.

H. BUCHANAN is now opening the finest and best line of Gent's, Youth's, and Boy's clothing, ever brought to Hickman, and at prices that will astonish all who will examine them. We promise better goods, nicer made, and much cheaper than have been paid heretofore.

Cabbage and Tomato Plants.  
Mr. Thos. R. McMahon announces that he has a fine lot of Cabbage and Tomato Plants, now ready.

The Kentucky Senate has passed a bill submitting a vote of the people at the election in August, whether they will allow the manufacture of whiskey, &c., in this State. It is understood that the House will pass the bill. If it is applied to the United States it might carry; but applying only to Kentucky, and no restriction upon its sale or importation, it will fail.

The Mississippi was on a stand at Hickman Thursday and Wednesday. The big rise in the Ohio and Cumberland which commenced about the 21st, and about which great fears were felt, has fully reached here, and only brought the river to a stand for two days. All the upper rivers are now falling, and after to-day the decline will commence beautifully here and continue for sometime.

The cultivation of cotton on the farms contiguous to Hickman, pays, and this fact has been repeatedly proven. Every farmer should at least have a few acres in cotton; and this especially true of that class of farmers who have labor in their own families which can not be so well utilized in other crops. The women and children can do the larger part in a cotton crop this year. Because of the fact that so large a percentage of the cotton lands of the southern country below us will not be cultivated, most of necessity be very short and hence the certainty that cotton will command good prices. Let every farmer, in this vicinity who can, raise a few acres in cotton. It always brings the cash.

## Flood Notes.

The great flood is rapidly abating. The sugar crops are ruined, damage in this line will reach \$2 million dollars.

Securities were detected in Louisiana cutting the levees. The farms of Mississippi and Arkansas are greatly encroached by the subsidence of the flood, and hope to make good crops.

A Kentucky prophet predicted another flood in April. We print it, but it is worth, but we don't think he's anything about it.

The Mississippi will get million dollars from this congress, and of this, some work will be done and about Hickman.

There are 50,000 sufferers from the food reported to Secretary of War.

Local Bills.  
The Legislature, this week, passed the following bills, pertaining to Fulton County.

Incorporating the Hickman an Fulton Telephone company.  
Incorporating the Manufacturing and Building Association of Fulton county.

Allowing Otto Herwick, \$200 for repairs for persons who died of yellow fever. Passed the House, but not the Senate yet.

A most attractive and beautiful line of Ladies Dress Good, Dress Trimmings, Laces, Embroideries, Neckwear, Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, &c., just received, and on display at the popular house of H. BUCHANAN. These goods will be offered for sale at lower prices than have ever been offered in this market.

A correspondent writing from about the Mississippi says: "The dry is rational! The colored folks are crazy over the prospects of rain! The white folks are laughing at the colored folks. The river is coming down, and the colored folks are laughing at the white folks. It shows that frauds and impostors speak up on every occasion, and many persons who are really deserving and need help are deprived of this by the certain cry of 'cheats, who are sure to be on hand when the free distribution begins."

Notice!  
Powell & Bro., will not issue prior rent this week—stock too much reduced and assortment broken to quote prices. Remnant will be sold still lower. Still a stock of flour on hand at 50 cents to one dollar less per barrel than the "Dick and Harry" are selling the same quality. Corn and Hay for sale. Lead Plaster, just received; try it on your young calves, and then, worn out lands, and if it don't pay you handsomely—big—we will return you your money. Looking for republican stock of goods, try our best. Buy where you can get best goods for least money. Good news for the hungry—Our mill is running. Come after your cotton seed.

POWELL BROS.  
A NEW SOCIETY.—The colored people of Hickman have organized a new movement, called the Knights of Labor. In addition to the benevolent and charitable feature, it has a life insurance, somewhat on the principle of the Knights of Honor. Males and females are admitted, though the latter are few. The lodge of the males is called the Temple, and that of the females the Tabernacle. They now pay \$500 upon the death of a member, but as the membership rapidly increasing, in a short time they will pay \$1,000. The Hickman lodge commenced with sixty-five members. The following are the officers:

W. D. Edwards, C. M.  
Warren Thomas, C. T.  
J. M. Thompson, C. S.  
T. H. BARNES, C. R.  
Mrs. N. Nichols, C. P.  
Sallie Thompson, C. S.  
Ananda Brown, C. R.  
The order is to be known as the Hickman Temple, and the Laurel Branch Tabernacle.

RELIGIOUS.—There will be a Ministers and Deacons meeting held at popular Grove, beginning Friday before the 5th Sunday in April, and at 1 o'clock Sunday, the funeral of Mrs. M. Hagan, of the primitive Baptist church, will be preached. Sunday night, Elder Clark will preach on the text: "Pay in his harbor; and will narrate somewhat of the fog in the harbors of New York and Brooklyn, comparing the same to spiritual apathy.

THOSE in want of new Goods will do well to call at the store of H. BUCHANAN, and see the stock of new Goods, and will be astonished at the low prices asked for them.

Mr. President Arthur has laid his hand heavy on the Kentucky Liberals. He has removed all the present Federal office-holders and appointed in their stead stalwarts. Grant is on top.

SENATOR REEVES has introduced a bill to sell the State's stock in certain turnpikes in Central Kentucky, and apply the proceeds to building turnpikes West of the Tennessee river. Turn about it fair play, we guess.

The Courier-Journal thinks the Democratic Congressmen have formed a ring to make Gen. Rosecrans, the Democratic candidate for President in 1884, and denounces the same.

Mrs. Jones has just returned from the market, where she has procured a large and complete line of millinery and notions—her stock being of the very best quality and latest style, incorporating artistic ideas that now pervade the popular mind, such as the Oscar Wilde hat, flower and fancy. In fact nothing has been left undone to give the ladies of Hickman and vicinity the advantage of larger cities, they are determined to give them in price and quality.

The ladies will appreciate her efforts to promote and enhance their beauty, she has a continuance of beautiful dresses, and extends to one and all cordial invitation to her regular spring opening on Thursday, April 6th.

Miss Ella Harding, has just returned from St. Louis, where she has purchased something entirely new in the way of dress making. She would be pleased for her customers to call and see her new styles. A perfect fit and stylish dress guaranteed.

A. M. Brown & Co., make a specialty of Family and Fancy Groceries, Provisions, &c.

## Judge Bullock's Reminiscences.

[From Columbus Record.]

I have concluded to omit for this number of my reminiscences description of any particular member of the Bar in Jackson's Purchase, and content myself with recalling some amusing incidents of court proceedings.

The only lawyer I found at Mill's Point (now City of Hickman) when I first went there, was H. O. Beatty, son of Judge Beatty of Mason county, Ky. We had many rough and tumble contests before the magistrates and juries in those days. I recall one or two. A man was brought before two justices, as an examining court. Beatty prosecuted; I defended.

The charge was stealing, and the defendant was charged with stealing a horse. I raised the point that there was no evidence as to proper owner of the horse. Neither Mr. Beatty or I could exactly see the point, but the court did very clearly.

On another occasion a gentleman by the name of Craven, who lived on the Missouri shore, opposite Hickman, employed me to go across the river, and defend a man under charge of malicious wounding. The trial was to be had before "Squire" Beatty, Craven's object was to give his friend an opportunity to escape. Our effort was to procrastinate until night came. I finally raised the point that the defendant could not legally try the case, and we read the books and made lengthy speeches. Finally as it grew dark enough for our purpose, we prevailed on the justice to grant our man a change of venue, and here is the end of the case.

I hereby transfer and assign this warrant to Haley Molder, Esq., without regard to me in law or equity.

Armed with this document, we started to travel about five miles through the river bottom. The constable had been liberally supplied with "blue rain" all day, and was now gloriously drunk, and of course the prisoner made his escape. Molder tore up the warrant, and the constable and I, laughing very heartily at this new method of fixing up a change of venue, and there was an end of the case.

James W. Gibson was in those days a resident lawyer of Clinton. He was a genial, whole soul gentleman, and thought of him always suggest something of fun and good fellowship. Maj Gibson once prevailed upon a client of his to suffer for him to bring suit against a neighbor, upon a state of facts, which the Major could fully establish, by his own testimony. The suit was commenced, process served, court came on, the case was called for trial, the defendant had no counsel, and the Major had all in his own way.

He was the only lawyer, and the only witness. He stated his case, was sworn, and gave the only evidence, and then made his speech. At the conclusion of Gibson's argument, Judge Fowler instructed the jury to find for the defendant. Amid a general roar of laughter at his discomfiture, the Major rose with his hands deep down in his pants pocket, and thought of him always suggest something of fun and good fellowship. Maj Gibson once prevailed upon a client of his to suffer for him to bring suit against a neighbor, upon a state of facts, which the Major could fully establish, by his own testimony. The suit was commenced, process served, court came on, the case was called for trial, the defendant had no counsel, and the Major had all in his own way.

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## GRATIFICATION.

A large and beautiful stock of new Goods just received at H. BUCHANAN'S. These goods have been purchased since the late decline and will be offered to the public at prices that cannot fail to please all.

What to do with the Dead.  
The subject of cremation is likely to come to the front in Paris soon because of the difficulty of finding proper places to inter the dead. It seems all the available ground in the cemeteries will be used up by 1890. With the growth of large cities, the population, this matter of the proper disposition of the dead yearly becomes more troublesome. It does not take long for graveyards to become populous than the cities which supply them with occupants. One of two things must happen either the bodies must be buried, or they must be buried in the open fields, and allowed to fertilize the soil, the method which is kept in family homes or in churches. Cemeteries near large cities in time necessarily are nuisances, and have to be removed to give place to residences. The residents of the city, in the long run, are more regarded than the respect which ought to be felt for the ashes of the dead.

Mistake of a Knight.  
It is related of an absent minded young lady that, having been duly married, she started off on her bridal tour. The party stopped at a Western city. So far so good. Some time in the night there came a knock upon the door. The lady, who was alone, opened the door, and a clerk, porters and employes generally rushed in, only to find the bride, sitting in the chair, clad in white, floating in desperate haste from her apartment, crying:

"Oh, there's a man in my room!"  
The clerk dashed in and found the bride, who had been standing in the middle of the floor, with one foot on the other in his hand, the picture of amazement. He explained that he had just come up stairs and was in the act of undressing (his wife had previously retired when she suddenly awoke with a shriek and fled).

"What is the matter?" asked the clerk.  
"Damn!" said the husband.  
Just then the bride, enveloped in a huge bedspread, came back, looking very red and foolish, and in half a minute she explained the mystery by saying:

"Oh, Fred, I forgot I was married, and when I awoke I was so frightened."

The nearest and most stylish line of Ladies and Misses Newports, Sandals, Slippers, Princess Ties, and Button Shoes, now on exhibition at the shoe counter of H. BUCHANAN. This house is famous for the universal good quality and style of its shoe stock, and will be sold at astonishing low prices.

MARRIED.  
REDDY-STEPHENSON.—In this county, on the 28th inst. Mr. D. M. REDDY and Miss M. R. STEPHENSON.

THOMPSON-NANCE.—In this county, on the 26th inst. Mr. J. F. THOMPSON, of Calloway county, to Miss S. E. NANCE.

TAYLOR-YOUNG.—In this county, on the 29th inst. Mr. E. M. TAYLOR to Miss A. V. YOUNG.

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## DON'T BE IN A HURRY!

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About buying your Spring Goods. Remember there is plenty of time yet to freeze before the warm weather sets in. Just here let us whisper something in your ear: YOU MAY SAVE MONEY BY WAITING. The old story about the early bird catching the worm is a fallacy—a grand humbug. The country merchant rushes into market very early to buy Goods; he meets a great many other country merchants, all on the same mission, and as a natural consequence, the heavy demand makes a strong market, and prices rise very high. The sharp, shrewd buyer, hangs back, let's them all fill up then the market droops, and he steps in and buys Goods at his own FIGURES.

In a short time our friends and patrons will realize that the above is a fact. We shall be able to sell you Goods for nearly one-half the price asked by other houses. Wait; don't be in a hurry; the tireless, sleepless, energetic bargain hunter, is at work, and you will save money if you have PATIENCE. We refer to the old stand by

J. H. PLAUT'S  
SQUARE DEAL STORE.

Special.  
We have just received a large consignment of TENTS. Some very large and some small. Parties wanting a tent, would do well to examine this lot before sending off for prices.

J. H. Plaut's, New Store.  
A. A. SELKIRK, MANAGER



